

Internet-based Service for Updating a Programmable Control Device

Abstract of the Disclosure

An Internet based service is provided for updating a programmable control device. An
5 Internet site contains links to appliance-dependent control and feature option information which
can be downloaded to the programmable control as a graphic user interface (GUI). A user
interface is provided at the site for the user to easily specify a target appliance, and thereafter
selectively download the interface and control information that is available for the target
appliance. The Internet site also contains links to other providers of configurations and macros,
10 such as system integrators who provide interfaces based on an inventory of the user's controllable
equipment, hobbyist who share configurations and macros that they've found useful, and so on.

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